Rocks

Rocks, March 19.- It seems like winter is coming back, in place of spring. Fires still feel good.

Quite a few attended the class taught by a state worker, Mrs. Northern, at Rocks from Sunday night through Wednesday night of last week. She was a wonderful teacher. Mrs. Northern was a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cal Ransom while here.

Louise Ranson spent Friday night with Sandra Ruth Roach.

A. T. Anderson is on the sick list.

Mrs. E. M. Almond, of Lynchburg, and Mrs. W. R. Moore, of Montgomery, W. Va., were called home last week due to the illness of their father, A. T. Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ranson and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Ranson called in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Farrar recently.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Marks spent the week-end in Lynchburg.

Mr. and Mrs. James Thackston and children, of High Point, N. C., have returned home after a visit here with Mrs. Maude Ranson.

Rev. Tearle Brown was the dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ranson Sunday.

Sandra Ruth Roach spent Saturday night with Cassie Baldwin.

Prayer meeting this Friday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Ranson.

Robert Roach and sons, Donald and Stanley, and Toby Inge were in Waynesboro one day recently.

Edward Ranson, Toby Inge and Charlie Ranson attended a supper for the Ruritan Club members at Pamplin Friday night.

Mrs. R. C. Baldwin sprained her arm recently.

Cottage prayer meeting was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Roach Friday night. Mrs. D. R. Inge led the meeting. Attendance was good.

Mr. and Mrs. Emory Ranson and baby, of Amherst were the Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ranson.

Misses Doris and Edith Baldwin, Sandra Ruth Roach, Joe Almond and William Ranson attended a class meeting in the home of their teacher, Miss Odelle Ranson, on Saturday night.

Spout Spring

Spout Spring, March 20.- Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Martin are able to be out after a recent illness.

On March 9 at 7:30, Mrs. George Carson and Mrs. W. A. Moon were joint hostesses to the W. S. C. S. of Salem Church. Several visitors were present. After the business session Hazel Moon gave an interesting talk on Africa.

Steve Essex, a Spout Spring Sunday School pupil, received a painful eye injury recently when hit by a ball while standing near the players.

Mrs. W. J. Walton and Mrs. Ray Garetti will be supper guests of Mrs. George Carson on Thursday evening.

There will be a special service on Easter Sunday at Salem Church at 5 P. M., by the pastor, the Rev. W. J. Boyd. He will be assisted in this service by the Rev. Edgar Davis, retired U. S. Navy Chaplain. Special music will be provided. The public is cordially invited.

Mrs. Dan Thomas spent the week-end with relatives in Norfolk.

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Carver High School

Readers, Easter holidays are here at last. We hope each faculty member and student enjoys the vacation.

Last Friday in assembly the Science Club had charge. The science quiz for eligibility for the Science Congress at Virginia State College in April was held. The questions were difficult. The winner was Charles Jeffries, who did not miss any questions. Those missing one, and chosen to represent Carver School were Lillie Mae Lewis, Doris Fleshman, and Warren Minnifield, all Juniors. These four students go! Charles Jeffries, senior, will present his science project in the contest. We hope he wins a scholarship. Remember, last year Bessie Williams won the scholarship to Hampton Institute.

The "Miss Carver" contest comes to a close on Thursday before our holiday. We hope the best one wins. There have been so many tickets—for this and for that—Easter baskets, beautiful cakes, quartets, programs at the various schools, that we know it'll be an overwhelming success. The prizes are very stimulating: 1st prize is trip to Science Congress; 2nd, a brief case and 3rd, als.

The ninth grade class is studying the Muscular System in Science Class. This class is cutting out and sewing garments in home-making. The boys are planning to go on a trip with Mr. Lawing in agriculture.

Winston Jones and William Lipford spent the week-end visiting one another. Such budies they are.

The eighth grade has had two interesting exams in Science class. Highest score was made by Fannie West.

Material is coming into the editorial staff of the Carver Herald for its printed edition. This issue will serve as a substitute for the "Annual." It is to be an unique job and requires much time on the part of all involved.

Until next week, we close with the thought: "To thine own self be true, Thou can't not then be false to any man."

Colored Dots

The Carver Chapter of New Farmers of America held its annual Father and Son banquet in the main auditorium of Carver High School last Thursday evening. Eighty-two parents, boys and guests attended. The following program was carried out in fine manner: America, by the audience; invocation by Charles Booker; opening ceremony; welcome by Leslie Brown; response by Mr. Charlie Williams; poem, by Donald Hart; N. F. A. quartet; creed by William Turner; poem by Claude Lambert; introduction of guests by chapter advisor, R. Q. Lawing; talk by McKinley Tanner; solo by Hiawatha Johnson quartet; poem by Raymond Williams; address by Mr. C. B. Jeter, area supervisor; remarks by parents and guests.

Palm Sunday services were carried out last Sunday at the Galilee Baptist Church.

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OG SHOW BILLED RICHMOND

hmond, Va., March 21.- Lovers ss dogs will gather here on day, April 14, for the Virginia el Club's 17th Annual Dog to be held on the 437 acre rounds of the Atlantic Rural tion. This year's entries are ted to top the 597 dogs of all s that were shown last year, d S. Fox, Club President, said The entry list will close Ap-

Richmond dog show, one of o be held in Virginia this g, is sponsored by 107 members this area that make up the ia Kennel Club, a non-profit nation for the advancement of ored dogs. Other shows will ace at: Newport News, March nville, April 11; Roanoke, 12, and Fredericksburg, Ap- . All shows carry Southern ratings.

UTLINE OF DUTIES ICAL BOARD CLERKS

Local Board Office, more only known as "The Draft Office," is headquarters for elective Service System in the unity under its jurisdiction. board clerks act as office ers and custodians of the re- of registrants, it was stated ate Headquarters for Selec- ervice this week.

local board clerk must have king knowledge of Selective regulations and policies, calls for constant study in or- keep abreast of the informa- ing sent down from national ate headquarters. The clerk to give out such information ning to Selective Service to ants or other interested per-

many cases registrants are go- extreme trouble to get in- formation which is readily available at the local board office in his community, whether he is registered with that particular board or not.

Local board clerks do not classify or reclassify registrants. This can only be done by the local board at a board meeting, at which the clerk has no voice or vote. The clerk will bring to the attention of the board all information submitted by the registrant, his dependents or his employer, but under no circumstances is the clerk empowered with the right to argue the registrant's case before the local board.

The local board clerk may accept a registrant's note of appeal or his application to volunteer for induction and register new registrants as they become eligible for registration.

In the files at the local board office lies information of such deep personal intimacy as to make the local board clerks observe the same code of strict secrecy as applies to doctors. Some of this information has a tinge of humor, some routine, some pathetic, but Federal law requires that all the information in the file of each registrant be guarded in deepest confidence by the one who is entrusted with the innermost secrets of the community.— 'The Local Draft Board Clerk."

DDT IS SAFE WHEN USED WISELY, SAYS HEALTH OFFICER

DDT, an esentially poisonous material, can be used with a wide margin of safety if it is wisely used, Dr. L. J. Roper, State Health Commissioner, reported today.

DDT—in the form of powders, solutions and aerosols—has been widely used in recent years to control plant and animal pests as well as disease-carrying insects with a great deal of success.

Dr. Roper pointed out that the poisonous effect of DDT on living organisms decreased with the increase in complexity of the organism. Thus insects, a lower type of organism, are destroyed by the substance while human beings and the higher types of animals are "not likely" to be harmed.

Some human deaths, however, have been caused by DDT and therefore "certain precautions must be observed to guard against its potential toxic properties," he added.

A warning was given to farmers to be careful when applying DDT to food or fodder crops. DDT applied directly to the edible portions of a plant may result in poisoning. It should not be used on dairy cattle or animals being prepared for slaughter, Dr. Roper pointed out, since there is a danger of accumulation of the substance in the milk and tissues of treated animals.

Dr. Roper listed the following precautions which were suggested recently by the Committee on Pseticides of the Council on Pharmacy and Chemistry of the American Medical Association.

"DDT insecticides should never be stored in food cupboards or in medicine chests where there is a likelihood of contamination of food or mistaken use. All exposed foods, utensils and working areas must be covered when kitchen and dining areas are being sprayed. Children's toys or cribs and rooms occupied by sick people should not be sprayed. Use of oil solutions on household pets should be avoided and DDT powders should be used only where the they cannot ge licked off. Intimate skin contact with aeosool discharge is to be avoided. Plants and equariums in the home should be removed or covered gefore applying DDT sprays or aerosols. The use of oil solutions in the vicinity of open fires should be avoided because of the inflammagility of such mixtures.

"Persons exposed to large amounts of DDT dusts and powders under confined connitions or where dust particles are not carried away by free movement of air currents should wear respirators . (Chronic poisoning from DDT may result from prolonged ingestion or exposure to small amounts.) Such conditions might be encountered in mass delousing procedures, larvicding with dusts, and manufacturing or formulating operations. Protective clothing should be worn when there is a possibility of greases and oils contaminating the skin, thereby enhancing the absorption of DDT dusts or powders.

"Frequent or prolonged exposure to emulsions or solutions of DDT in petroleum oils and organic solvents should be avoided unless protective clothing, goggles and neoprene or solvent-resistant gloves are worn. (Oily solutions may be absorbed through the skin.) Clothing must be changed promptly if concentrates are spilled on them A contaminated skin area which has come in contact with DDT soaked clothing or spilled DDT concentrates should be washed immediat-ly with soap and water. Concentrates should be mixed well in ventilated rooms and fire precaution observed when volatile and inflammable solvents are present.

"Operators involved in large scale spraying or fogging with solutions of 5 per cent or more DDT should wear respirators and other protective devices. Smoking is to be avoided during spraying when combustible mixtures are used. Greaseless skin lotions should be used on exposed body surfaces when irritant solvents are present in the formulation. Clothes should be changed and the body cleansed after each day's operations.

ARTIFICIAL BREEDING PROGRAM EXPANDING

Last year saw an expansion in Virginia's artificial breeding program—with five new associations formed, and some 24,847 cows breeding, says Arden S. Foster, associate dairy husbandman at V. P. I.

There are now 28 artificial breeding associations in the state, and another—in Wythe County— is being organized.

The number of cows enrolled in the program increased from 30,869 in 1949 to 41,555 in 1950.

Mass blood-typing plan is sidetracked.

USE SLACK PERIODS FOR RAT CONTROL

Slack periods on the farm can well be devoted to eliminating rat harbourages, says John M. Amos, rodent control specialist at V. P. I.

Amos says that all rats need to exist is food and shelter; and the closer the shelter is to the food supply, the better the rats multiply.

Here is his advice:

Do not pile old lumber or wood close to buildings containing food rats will eat.

Raise stacks of umber worth saving from 12 to 18 inches off the ground to avoid having a rat harbor.

Stack sacks of grain far enough away from walls so dogs and cats can catch rats hiding there.

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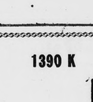

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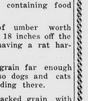

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